



# News Release

---

100 Centennial Mall North, Rm 298, Lincoln, Nebraska 68508  
Media Contact: Dean C. Groskurth (800) 582-6443

## NEBRASKA CROP PRODUCTION REPORT

LINCOLN, NE, October 9, 2015 -- Based on October 1 conditions, Nebraska's 2015 **corn** crop is forecast at a record high 1.66 billion bushels, up 3 percent from last year, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Acreage harvested for grain is estimated at 9.00 million acres, up 1 percent from a year ago. Average yield is forecast at a record high 184 bushels per acre, up 5 bushels from last year.

**Soybean** production in Nebraska is forecast at a record high 291 million bushels, 1 percent above last year. Area for harvest, at 5.20 million acres, is down 2 percent from 2014. Record yield is forecast at 56 bushels per acre, up 2 bushels from a year ago.

**Sorghum** production of 24.0 million bushels is up 83 percent from a year ago. Area for grain harvest of 240,000 acres is up 50 percent from last year. Record yield is forecast at 100 bushels per acre, up 18 bushels from last year.

**Dry Edible Bean** production is forecast at 2.97 million hundredweight, down 22 percent from 2014. Area for harvest, at 129,000 acres, is down 15 percent from last year. Yield is estimated at 2,300 pounds per acre, down 200 pounds per acre from last year.

**Sugarbeet** production is forecast at 1.23 million tons, down 8 percent from 2014. Area for harvest, at 47,000 acres, is down 1,100 acres from last year. Yield is estimated at 26.2 tons per acre, down 2.90 tons per acre from a year ago.

**All Sunflower** production is forecast at 50.4 million pounds, up 12 percent from last year. Acreage for harvest, at 45,000 acres, is up 11,500 acres from 2014. Yield is forecast at 1,120 pounds per acre, down 225 pounds per acre from a year ago. Of the acres for harvest, non-oil sunflowers account for 18,000 acres and oil sunflowers account for 27,000 acres.

**Alfalfa hay** production, at 3.36 million tons, is down 1 percent from the 2014 crop. Area for harvest, at 800,000 acres, is down 4 percent from a year ago. Yield, at a record high 4.20 tons per acre, is up 0.10 ton from 2014. **All Other Hay** production, at 2.70 million tons, is up 3 percent from 2014. Area for harvest, at 1.80 million acres, is up 3 percent from a year ago. Record tying yield of 1.50 tons per acre is unchanged from last year.

Access the National publication for this release at:

<http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/usda/nass/CropProd//2010s/2015/CropProd-10-09-2015.pdf>

*Find agricultural statistics for your county, State, and the Nation at [www.nass.usda.gov/](http://www.nass.usda.gov/).*

- # -

NASS provides accurate, timely, useful and objective statistics in service to U.S. agriculture. The Agency invites you to express your thoughts and provide occasional feedback on our products and services by joining a data user community. To join, sign in at <http://usda.mannlib.cornell.edu/subscriptions> and look for "NASS Data User Community."